## Office of Foreign Assets Control

#### 31 CFR Part 587

Publication of Russian Harmful Foreign Activities Sanctions Regulations Web General Licenses 13E, 66, 67, and 68

**AGENCY:** Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

**ACTION:** Publication of web general licenses.

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**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is publishing four general licenses (GLs) issued pursuant to the Russian Harmful Foreign Activities Sanctions Regulations: GLs 13E, 66, 67, and 68, each of which were previously made available on OFAC's website.

**DATES:** GLs 13E, 66, 67, and 68 were issued on May 19, 2023. See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION for additional relevant dates.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** OFAC: Assistant Director for Licensing, 202-622-2480; Assistant Director for Regulatory Affairs, 202-622-4855; or Assistant Director for Compliance, 202-622-2490.

### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

## **Electronic Availability**

This document and additional information concerning OFAC are available on OFAC's website: www.treas.gov/ofac.

#### **Background**

On May 19, 2023, OFAC issued GLs 13E, 66, 67, and 68 to authorize certain transactions otherwise prohibited by the Russian Harmful Foreign Activities Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 587. GLs 13E, 66, and 67 have an expiration date of August 17, 2023; GL 68 has an expiration date of July 18, 2023. Each GL was made available

on OFAC's website (www.treas.gov/ofac) when it was issued. The text of these GLs is provided below.

#### OFFICE OF FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL

Russian Harmful Foreign Activities Sanctions Regulations 31 CFR part 587

#### **GENERAL LICENSE NO. 13E**

# **Authorizing Certain Administrative Transactions Prohibited by Directive 4 under Executive Order 14024**

- (a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this general license, U.S. persons, or entities owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by a U.S. person, are authorized to pay taxes, fees, or import duties, and purchase or receive permits, licenses, registrations, or certifications, to the extent such transactions are prohibited by Directive 4 under Executive Order 14024, *Prohibitions Related to Transactions Involving the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, the National Wealth Fund of the Russian Federation, and the Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation*, provided such transactions are ordinarily incident and necessary to the day-to-day operations in the Russian Federation of such U.S. persons or entities, through 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time, August 17, 2023.
  - (b) This general license does not authorize:
- (1) Any debit to an account on the books of a U.S. financial institution of the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, the National Wealth Fund of the Russian Federation, or the Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation; or
- (2) Any transactions otherwise prohibited by the Russian Harmful Foreign Activities Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 587 (RuHSR), including transactions involving any person blocked pursuant to the RuHSR, unless separately authorized.
- (c) Effective May 19, 2023, General License No. 13D, dated February 24, 2023, is replaced and superseded in its entirety by this General License No. 13E.

Andrea M. Gacki Director Office of Foreign Assets Control

Dated: May 19, 2023

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**GENERAL LICENSE NO. 66** 

Authorizing the Wind Down of Transactions Involving Public Joint Stock Company

**Polyus** 

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this general license, all transactions

prohibited by Executive Order (E.O.) 14024 that are ordinarily incident and necessary to

the wind down of any transaction involving Public Joint Stock Company Polyus, or any

entity in which Public Joint Stock Company Polyus owns, directly or indirectly, a 50

percent or greater interest, are authorized through 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time,

August 17, 2023, provided that any payment to a blocked person must be made into a

blocked account in accordance with the Russian Harmful Foreign Activities Sanctions

Regulations, 31 CFR part 587 (RuHSR).

(b) This general license does not authorize:

(1) Any transactions prohibited by Directive 2 under E.O. 14024, *Prohibitions* 

Related to Correspondent or Payable-Through Accounts and Processing of Transactions

*Involving Certain Foreign Financial Institutions*;

(2) Any transactions prohibited by Directive 4 under E.O. 14024, *Prohibitions* 

Related to Transactions Involving the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, the

National Wealth Fund of the Russian Federation, and the Ministry of Finance of the

Russian Federation; or

(3) Any transactions otherwise prohibited by the RuHSR, including transactions

involving any person blocked pursuant to the RuHSR other than the blocked persons

described in paragraph (a) of this general license, unless separately authorized.

Andrea M. Gacki

Director

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Dated: May 19, 2023

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GENERAL LICENSE NO. 67

Authorizing Certain Transactions Related to Debt or Equity of, or Derivative

Contracts Involving, Public Joint Stock Company Polyus

(a) Except as provided in paragraphs (d) and (e) of this general license, all

transactions prohibited by Executive Order (E.O.) 14024 that are ordinarily incident and

necessary to the divestment or transfer, or the facilitation of the divestment or transfer, of

debt or equity of Public Joint Stock Company Polyus, or any entity in which Public Joint

Stock Company Polyus owns, directly or indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest,

purchased prior to May 19, 2023 ("covered debt or equity"), to a non-U.S. person are

authorized through 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time, August 17, 2023.

(b) Except as provided in paragraph (e) of this general license, all transactions

prohibited by E.O. 14024 that are ordinarily incident and necessary to facilitating,

clearing, and settling trades of covered debt or equity that were placed prior to 4:00 p.m.

eastern daylight time, May 19, 2023 are authorized through 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight

time, August 17, 2023.

- (c) Except as provided in paragraph (e) of this general license, all transactions prohibited by E.O. 14024 that are ordinarily incident and necessary to the wind down of derivative contracts entered into prior to 4:00 p.m. eastern daylight time, May 19, 2023 that (i) include a blocked person described in paragraph (a) of this general license as a counterparty or (ii) are linked to covered debt or equity are authorized through 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time, August 17, 2023, provided that any payments to a blocked person are made into a blocked account in accordance with the Russian Harmful Foreign Activities Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 587 (RuHSR).
  - (d) Paragraph (a) of this general license does not authorize:
- (1) U.S. persons to sell, or to facilitate the sale of, covered debt or equity to, directly or indirectly, any person whose property and interests in property are blocked; or
- (2) U.S. persons to purchase or invest in, or to facilitate the purchase of or investment in, directly or indirectly, covered debt or equity, other than purchases of or investments in covered debt or equity ordinarily incident and necessary to the divestment or transfer of covered debt or equity as described in paragraph (a) of this general license.
  - (e) This general license does not authorize:
- (1) Any transactions prohibited by Directive 2 under E.O. 14024, *Prohibitions*Related to Correspondent or Payable-Through Accounts and Processing of Transactions

  Involving Certain Foreign Financial Institutions;
- (2) Any transactions prohibited by Directive 4 under E.O. 14024, *Prohibitions*Related to Transactions Involving the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, the

  National Wealth Fund of the Russian Federation, and the Ministry of Finance of the

  Russian Federation; or
- (3) Any transactions otherwise prohibited by the RuHSR, including transactions involving any person blocked pursuant to the RuHSR other than the blocked persons described in paragraph (a) of this general license, unless separately authorized.

Andrea M. Gacki Director Office of Foreign Assets Control

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**GENERAL LICENSE NO. 68** 

Authorizing the Wind Down of Transactions Involving Certain Universities and

Institutes

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this general license, all transactions

prohibited by Executive Order (E.O.) 14024 that are ordinarily incident and necessary to

the wind down of any transaction involving one or more of the following blocked persons

are authorized through 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time, July 18, 2023, provided that any

payment to a blocked person must be made into a blocked account in accordance with the

Russian Harmful Foreign Activities Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 587 (RuHSR):

(1) Federal State Budgetary Educational Institution of Higher Education Grozny

State Oil Technical University Named After Academician M.D. Millionshchikov;

(2) Federal State Budget Educational Institution of Higher Education Saint

Petersburg Mining University;

(3) Federal State Budgetary Educational Institution of Higher Education Sergo

Ordzhonikidze Russian State University for Geological Prospecting;

(4) Federal State Budgetary Educational Institution of Higher Vocational

Education Gubkin Russian State University of Oil and Gas;

(5) State Budgetary Educational Institution of Higher Education Almetyevsk

State Oil Institute: or

(6) Any entity in which one or more of the above persons own, directly or

indirectly, individually or in the aggregate, a 50 percent or greater interest.

(b) This general license does not authorize:

(1) Any transactions prohibited by Directive 2 under E.O. 14024, *Prohibitions* 

Related to Correspondent or Payable-Through Accounts and Processing of Transactions

Involving Certain Foreign Financial Institutions;

(2) Any transactions prohibited by Directive 4 under E.O. 14024, *Prohibitions* 

Related to Transactions Involving the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, the

National Wealth Fund of the Russian Federation, and the Ministry of Finance of the

Russian Federation; or

(3) Any transactions otherwise prohibited by the RuHSR, including transactions

involving any person blocked pursuant to the RuHSR other than the blocked persons

described in paragraph (a) of this general license, unless separately authorized.

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